

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Gallman Elementary

Newberry

Grades: PK-5 **Enrollment: 462**

Principal: Cathryn H. Hartzog

Superintendent: Mr. Bennie Bennett

Board Chair: Mr. Don Saylor

PERFORMANCE

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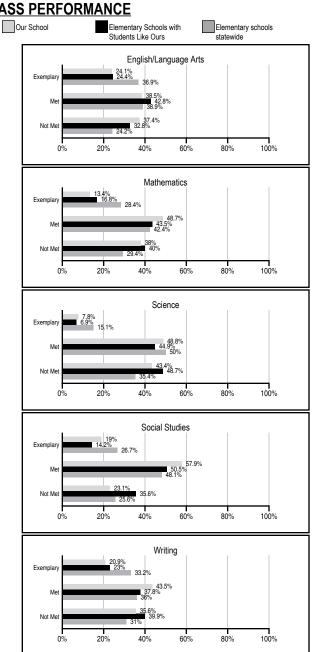
YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Average	Average	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2008	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK	
1	5	94	59	20	

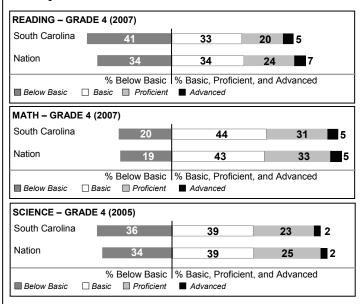
^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.





NAEP PERFORMANCE*

Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=462)				
Retention rate	5.4%	Down from 5.8%	2.5%	1.9%
Attendance rate	95.9%	Down from 96.1%	96.0%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	3.6%	Down from 6.5%	4.1%	10.0%
With disabilities other than speech	7.5%	Down from 7.9%	8.3%	7.7%
Older than usual for grade	2.5%	Down from 2.8%	1.0%	0.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=34)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	73.5%	Up from 66.7%	56.5%	59.4%
Continuing contract teachers	70.6%	Up from 66.7%	73.5%	80.0%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	81.7%	Down from 83.0%	83.1%	85.9%
Teacher attendance rate	95.3%	Up from 94.2%	95.1%	95.1%
Average teacher salary*	\$44,400	Up 2.2%	\$45,590	\$47,149
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	Down from 5.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	22.3 days	Up from 18.2 days	11.0 days	11.1 days
School				
Principal's years at school	12.0	Up from 11.0	3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.9 to 1	Down from 19.4 to 1	17.3 to 1	18.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.7%	Down from 90.2%	90.1%	90.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	98.2%	Down from 98.8%	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$7,475	Down 3.2%	\$8,355	\$7,458
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	74.4%	Down from 78.1%	68.5%	68.8%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	72.3%	Up from 71.5%	62.0%	63.2%
% of AYP objectives met * Length of contract = 185+ days.	100.0%	Up from 71.4%	100.0%	100.0%

Length of contract = 185+ days.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	31	67	29
Percent satisfied with learning environment	96.8%	88.1%	82.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	85.1%	89.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	66.7%	85.1%	89.7%

^{*}Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Gallman Elementary continues "Leaping into Learning" as we complete the fifth year at this location. The staff, parents and community continue to work together to provide quality educational opportunities for all our students. Students have thrived in our warm caring environment and have reached out to others through activities supported by the school such as. Adopt -A-Family, Pennies for Patients, Jump Rope for Heart, Matha-thon, our on-going Gardening project and our extensive recycling programs. Student support and donations continue to surpass our expectations, which reinforce our spirit of giving and caring for others. This year with the distressing economic conditions, our school's giving surpassed the previous year.

As we began the 2008-09 school year, our School Leadership Team met to analyze all current data and surveys on our students and our school. The analysis of this data which was share with our School Improvement Council (SIC), teachers and parents was very encouraging as we continued to show school-wide improvement across most subject areas. In order to help us follow our students progress, we developed a Data Board. It will help us monitor MAP scores each nine weeks in order to adjust our student's grouping in areas of weakness.

Gallman teachers have been offered many opportunities to expand their knowledge and expertise through attendance at workshops, working with site-based consultants, taking technology training and by pursuing advanced degrees. The district is providing professional development through Phil Schlechty's Working on the Work for all staff members over several years. As a school, we offered a graduate level course to our teachers on student assessment. Again this year one of our teachers was named the Teacher of the Year for the School District of Newberry County for 2009. Later she was named one of the five finalists for the South Carolina Teacher of the Year.

Several school-wide programs and activities are being used to promote achievement and encourage students to exemplify good habits, such as an Awards/Celebration Day held each nine weeks and Brag Tags which are sent home to parents to recognize positive accomplishments. Many parenting events such as lunch with grandparents, Moms and Dads, Hispanic Parent workshop and Family Science Night and Cinco de Mayo were held. Our PTO organization continues to provide outstanding assistance and incentives to the students, teachers and the school. Through their fundraising efforts this year, we now have a large message sign in front of the school.

The highlights of our year include, a 21st Century After-School program, the purchasing of more SmartBoards, receiving a Newberry County Memorial Hospital Healthy Hearts grant, PTO Fall Festival and selection of a fifth grade student as the State Superintendent's Writing Award winner from the District of Newberry County. In addition, our school was awarded a Family Connection of South Carolina grant.

Learning at high levels in a safe nurturing environment with the support of families and the community continues to be our focus at Gallman Elementary School.

Cathie Hartzog, Principal SIC Chairman

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^{**} Prior vear audited financial data available